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## SHORELAND PROTECTION PROGRAM

## **Shoreland Protection Certification**

The New Hampshire Shoreland Protection Act (RSA 483-B), effective July 1, 1994, sets minimum standards for the subdivision, development, and use of the protected shoreland. This form is for you to certify to any and all concerned that you are aware of the minimum standards of RSA 483-B.

The protected shoreland is defined to be all land located within 250 feet of a reference line. The reference line means:

- (a) For natural fresh water bodies without artificial impoundments, the natural mean high water level as determined by The Department of Environmental Services.
- (b) For artificially impounded fresh water bodies, the waterline at full pond as determined by the elevation of the top of the impoundment structure.
- (c) For coastal waters, the highest observable tide line, which means a line defining the furthest landward limit of tidal flow, not including storm events, which can be recognized by indicators such as the presence of a strand line of flotsam and debris, the landward margin of salt tolerant vegetation, or a physical barrier that blocks further flow of the tide.
  - (d) For rivers, the ordinary high water mark.

As owner or agent, I certify that (Initial each line and sign below):

☐ Property owner

In the case of rivers, the law applies to all fourth order or higher streams of the state with the exception of certain segments of the Connecticut, Pemigewasset, and Saco rivers designated for management and protection under RSA 483. A list of the fourth order and higher streams and river segments in New Hampshire are available at no cost from the Department of Environmental Services.

## Certification

<u>_</u>	(a)	I understand the extent of the protected shoreland on my property or on any property that I may operate				
<u>_</u>	(b)	I understand that any work within the protected shoreland must be conducted according to the minimum standards and regulations of The Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act,				
<u>_</u> _	(c)	I am familiar with the requirements and restrictions of The Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act (RSA 483-B) and The Shoreland Protection Administrative Rules (EnvWs 1400),				
<u>_</u> _	(d)	Plans and other information submitted to The Department of Environmental Services are accurate provide a complete description of the project to be undertaken, and				
<b>_</b> _	(e)	I understand that false information given in this certification may result in revocation of any permit granted by the Department of Environmental Services as a result of this application, liability for remediation or restoration of the land affected, fines up to \$20,000 for each day of continuing violation, imprisonment or other penalties.				
	Certified by	y Date				
	Name (prir	nt or type)				
	Certified as	:  Property owner  Agent for owner or owners				

☐ Agent for owner or owners